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**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find an Amendment and Remarks which are filed in Response to the Office Action mailed August 18, 2008. Inasmuch as the amendments put the application in condition for allowance, Applicant requests entry of the enclosed Amendment after Final Office Action.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page two of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page eight of this paper.